

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

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THE LENAPE RESOURCES CORPORATION) FE DOCKET NO. 93-05-NG
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ORDER GRANTING BLANKET AUTHORIZATION TO IMPORT
NATURAL GAS FROM CANADA

DOE/FE ORDER NO . 767

FEBRUARY 16, 1993

I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST _____

On January 22, 1993, The Lenape Resources Corporation (TLRC) filed an application with the Office of Fossil Energy of the Department of Energy (DOE), under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), requesting blanket authorization to import from Canada up to 50 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas over a two-year period beginning on the date of the first delivery. TLRC, a New Jersey corporation with its principal place of business in Alexander, New York, is a producer, gatherer, marketer, and operator of natural gas wells. TLRC will import the gas under spot and short-term transactions for resale to industrial and commercial end-users, agricultural users, and electric utilities. The requested authorization does not involve the construction of new pipeline facilities.

II. FINDING _____

The application filed by TLRC has been evaluated to determine if the proposed import arrangement meets the public interest requirements of section 3 of the NGA, as amended by section 201 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102-486). Under section 3(c), an import of natural gas from a nation with which there is in effect a free trade agreement requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas is deemed to be consistent with the public interest and must be granted without modification or delay. The authorization sought by TLRC to import natural gas from Canada, a nation with which a free trade agreement is in effect, meets the section 3(c) criterion and, therefore, is consistent with the public interest.

ORDER

For reasons set forth above, under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, it is ordered that:

A. The Lenape Resources Corporation (TLRC) is authorized to import from Canada, at any point on the international border, up to 50 Bcf of natural gas over a two-year period beginning on the date of the first delivery.

B. Within two weeks after deliveries begin, TLRC shall notify the Office of Fuels Programs, Fossil Energy, Room 3F-056, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585, in writing of the date that the first import of natural gas authorized in Ordering Paragraph A above occurred.

C. With respect to the natural gas imports authorized by this Order, TLRC shall file with the Office of Fuels Programs, within 30 days following each calendar quarter, quarterly reports indicating whether imports of natural gas have been made. If no imports have been made, a report of "no activity" for that calendar quarter must be filed. If imports have occurred, TLRC must report total monthly volumes in Mcf and the average purchase price per MMBtu at the international border. The reports shall also provide the details of each import transaction, including:

- (1) the name of the seller(s);
- (2) the name of the purchaser(s);
- (3) the estimated or actual duration of the agreement(s);
- (4) the name of the U.S. transporter(s);
- (5) the point(s) of entry;
- (6) the geographic market(s) served;
- (7) whether the sales are being made on an interruptible or firm basis; and, if applicable,

(8) the per unit (MMBtu) demand/commodity/reservation charge breakdown of the contract price.

D. The first quarterly report required by Paragraph C of this Order is due not later than April 30, 1993, and should cover the period from the date of this Order until the end of the current calendar quarter, March 31, 1993.

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